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With the whole country stepping forward to cleanse its soul with confessions of past transgressions and unfulfilled promises, I reluctantly admit it's my turn to do the same. Granted the following revelation should do little to disrupt my personal life, harm my career or disillusion my staff, but since the buck stops here it's time to fess up. During the past year or so I have to admit that we've published a few issues of *Book of Lingerie* that haven't been, well, perfect. They've been good but not great, sorta off the mark—but only by a little. Now I'm not saying they weren't worth the cover price. In fact, every one of our six yearly issues is a steal for the 96 pages of entertainment they consistently deliver. But I'm ashamed to

admit that we've released a few BOLs that missed the little touches and the finely tuned balance that has been our publishing credo for 65 issues. You critics out there who regularly e-mail those barbs and complaints might feel vindicated. But the overwhelming majority, who shower us with praise, deserve an explanation. In truth, you'd have a hard time picking the off-key issues from those in perfect harmony. But I know the ones: Those issues with the unbalanced blonde to brunette ratio, or those with too many veteran models and not enough fresh faces, or those lacking a variety of lingerie. Sometimes the pacing of horizontal and vertical images is slightly off, or the double-page spreads aren't quite evenly spaced throughout an issue. Given the dizzying array of options, most of these creative decisions are purely



The Perfect Issue?

subjective, so without our Production Department imposing printing deadlines we could literally tweak and tinker forever. The infamous moviemaker Roman Polanski was once asked, "How do you know you've finished editing a movie?" He was reported to have answered, "When the studio takes it away from me!" After weeks and months dedicated to careful model selection, photography, meticulous editing and skillful design this March/April *Book of Lingerie* can be taken away. It's ready to be printed. It's the real deal, the perfect issue. From the fabulously sexy cover girl Katalina Verdin to a look back at the glamorous dozen Playmates from 1974 to a revisit with the 1976 Playmate of the Year Lillian Müller, I'm here to tell you this is our best issue ever. New faces, familiar favorites, more than 40 models and Playmates shot by over a dozen photographers, it's the BOL you've got to have—just the right number of blondes and brunettes, T and A in equal doses, and lingerie, lingerie and more lingerie. We can forget about our past transgressions. With this issue we've reached the top, the peak, the Everest of publishing. But what do you bet a month from now when we review this issue, getting ready for the next, we'll see things we should have done better? The cropping of a photo, the design of a two-page spread, the use of a color background—little minutiae that you won't notice but that will drive us crazy. So for now let us gloat over this issue and declare its perfection, because in no time we'll be ripping it apart and beginning work on our next perfect issue.

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Playmate Lingerie

1974

Showbiz held a bumper crop of 1974's Playmates in its spotlight. Carol, Kristine, Jean, Sandy and Bebe all pursued singing, movie or TV careers and most are still working and performing today. In Bebe's case, talent and beauty have already been passed onto the next generation: Her daughter by Aerosmith's Steven Tyler is hot film ingenue Liv Tyler.



Nancy Cameron 1/74



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Playmate



Revisited

Lillian Müller
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Her Playmate and PMOY pictorials launched a brief film career, but she could never entirely escape the blonde bombshell stereotype. Now she lives in California with her daughter and recently published a book about aging gracefully and happily called *Feel Great, Be Beautiful Over 40*.



















Jodie Shaw





Stephanie Wood









Samantha Laurent





Vikki Neil







Rachel ter Horst



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KATALINA VERDIN At least one of Katalina's professional goals has been met by being our cover girl. Being a Playmate is another. On a personal level, she's looking for a "tall, kind, romantic, trustworthy" man. Vital stats: 5'3", 112 lbs., 36-25-35. *David Rams, 1; Phillip Vullo, 3, 4, 5, 6-7.*

ALLEY BAGGETT Last year's Readers' Choice Model of the Year considers herself a homebody. "People probably think I'm always on the run—doing the club scene, dashing from one thing to another. The truth is, when I'm not on a shoot I spend most of my time at home working on my Web site—www.alleybaggett.net—or reading." *Steven Lippmann, 8, 9.*

KARIN TAYLOR One of the great perks of NSS modeling, she says, is getting fan mail, which she especially enjoys reading when "I'm lonely, sad or beaten down by this career." The love bug hasn't bitten recently, but she'll know when it does because "I won't be able to sleep, I'll get teary-eyed around babies and I'll start turning into Martha Stewart." *Andrew Goldman, 10, 11, 12, 13.*

KELLY BURGESS Outgoing and social, this Londoner loves meeting new and interesting people as much as hanging out with old friends. She's entirely comfortable with nudity ("If you have a good body you should share it") and suggested any leftover photos from her shoot be put to good use: "Send them to Mr. Clinton." Vital stats: 5'5", 112 lbs., 34-24-35. *Byron Newman, 14, 15.*

JAMELAH ASMAR "Funny, naughty and a bit of a tomboy" as a kid, the grown-up Jamelah enjoys working out, dancing and meeting new people. *Byron Newman, 16, 17.*

ABIGAIL TOYNE Her most unglamorous Playboy moment? "The makeup artist had to rub my bum for about 20 minutes to get rid of the indentation I got from sitting on the arm of a sofa. If it sounds romantic, it wasn't!" Vital stats: 5'3", 105 lbs., 34-23-33. *Byron Newman, 18, 19.*

VICTORIA KNIGHT At only 23 she has plenty of time, but this Floridian admits that she hasn't decided on any specific career goals. "I don't know what I want to be when I grow up because my life changes so much from week to week. I just take it as it comes." *Phillip Vullo, 20, 21.*

KAREN WHITE Bad breath, a bad haircut and a beer belly are turnoffs. A nice chest, a six-pack stomach and great-smelling aftershave turn her on. *Byron Newman, 22-23, 24-25, 54, 55.*

JODIE SHAW A winner even at the tender age of 11 (English national baton-twirling champion), Jodie still has winning ways. Her modeling career is on track and she's beginning to make acting inroads. "I'm pretty satisfied with how well I'm doing in my career. Dreams really can come true." Vital stats: 5'6", 108 lbs., 34-22-34. *Byron Newman, 26, 27, 34, 35, 76, 77.*

VICTORIA FULLER Miss January '96 is turned on by "having my hair brushed and played with, acting silly and running around naked." She's not crazy about "dirty hands, little feet or looking down to kiss a guy." Vital stats: 5'8", 124 lbs., 34-24-34. *Phil Shockley, 28, 29.*

VIKKI NEIL One of 16 kids, Vikki grew up in Scotland as a "shy, smart, cheeky but nice kid." Not as shy, still smart, a little cheeky and definitely nice, Vikki says her hobbies are "hill walking, dancing, anything fun—and sex, sex, sex!" *Byron Newman, 30, 31, 84, 85.*

BEVERLY LYNNE Last featured in the March/April '97 BOL, Beverly still lives and works in the St. Louis area. Vital stats: 5'9", 123 lbs., 34-24-34. *Gen Nishino, 32, 33.*

STACEY LEE COLDREN A soft spot for buffalo wings and "tons of blue cheese dip" added 30 pounds to her 5'5" frame when she was at Florida State. Back down to a slim 110 pounds, she still carries around a picture of herself at her old weight to inspire restraint. *Gen Nishino, 36, 37.*

ADELE STEVENS This is Adele's eighth NSS appearance. She was most recently seen in *Voluptuous Vixens II*. *Byron Newman, 38, 39.*

SHELLY GOODAIR She holds her tongue on first dates—and won't drink enough to loosen it—while she checks out if the guy is caring, funny and fun to be with. *Byron Newman, 40, 41.*



DITA VON TEESE A lingerie fanatic, Dita loves “dressing for sex—corsets, stockings and high heels.” She always wears sexy slips to bed—“especially black lace”—and has closets full of vintage silk pajamas. “Anything cotton is the worst!” *Mizuno, 42, 43.*

KRISTEN WEBB Hair color, height, weight, biceps or a bank balance don't define her ideal man. She's looking for someone who's “not in my business, has a career of his own and is just as driven as I am. If he's handsome too, great.” Posing for an NSS was no big deal for her, and the results will be a cherished keepsake “to show my grandkids—or ex-boyfriends!” *Gen Nishino, 44-45.*

HOPE TYLER A first-time Playboy shoot can be daunting—and even a bit confusing. “When I first arrived on set,” Hope explained, “I wasn't sure if I was just going to be doing lingerie shots or what. I put on some lace panties and said, ‘Um, you can see through these.’ Andrew looked at me funny and replied, ‘And your point is?’” *Andrew Goldman, 46, 47.*

SACHA STARR Another of “Byron's girls” makes her first NSS appearance in this issue. Sacha lives in Essex, England and often travels to London for modeling work. *Byron Newman, 56-57.*

KIRSTY SMITH A bubbly personality compensates for being “shy and lonely underneath,” and she wakes up each day determined to “smile, stay cheerful, set high goals and remember that everything happens for a reason.” Vital stats: 5'5", 112 lbs., 34-24-35. *Byron Newman, 58, 59.*

ALESHA ORESKOVICH Miss June '93, usually trusting and easygoing, confesses that she sometimes second-guesses men's motives. “I'm just a little more suspicious of men who want to date me if they know about my Playboy work. Ulterior motives?” *David Rams, 60, 61, 62, 63.*

DANIELLE WHEELER She describes herself as reliable, caring, friendly and easy to please, but she doesn't want people to mistake her soft manner for weakness. “I have definite goals and I'm determined to meet them—whatever it takes.” *Byron Newman, 64, 65.*

MELISSA REIGEL Her professional sights are set on becoming a private investigator. Her personal goal is to find a guy who isn't afraid to love unconditionally. *Stephen Sigoloff, 66, 67.*

STEPHANIE WOOD She may have been skinny and buck-toothed as a kid, but this upstate New Yorker grew up to be a heartbreaker. Turn-ons include nice teeth, broad shoulders and a guy who'll be romantic for no reason. On the flip side, she's turned off by jealousy, ignorance, guys who hate sports or who take things too seriously. *Gen Nishino, 78, 79.*

APRIL MORGAN Introduced in last year's *College Girls* NSS, April majored in psychology and biology. She's passionate about sports and plays ice hockey, field hockey, rugby and squash. Vital stats: 5'8", 115 lbs., 34-24-34. *Louise Freeman, 80, 81.*

SAMANTHA LAURENT Mature guys, listen up: “I've always been fond of older men,” Samantha told us. “They're wiser, more experienced and I find conversation is easier and far better with them. As a rule they're more comfortable with themselves.” *Byron Newman, 82-83.*

RACHEL TER HORST Unassuming and unaffected, Rachel rarely wears makeup except on shoots. “I'm usually mistaken for a member of the crew when I first arrive on set. I have to tell them I'm the model.” Vital stats: 5'5", 112 lbs., 32-34-35. *Byron Newman, 86, 87.*

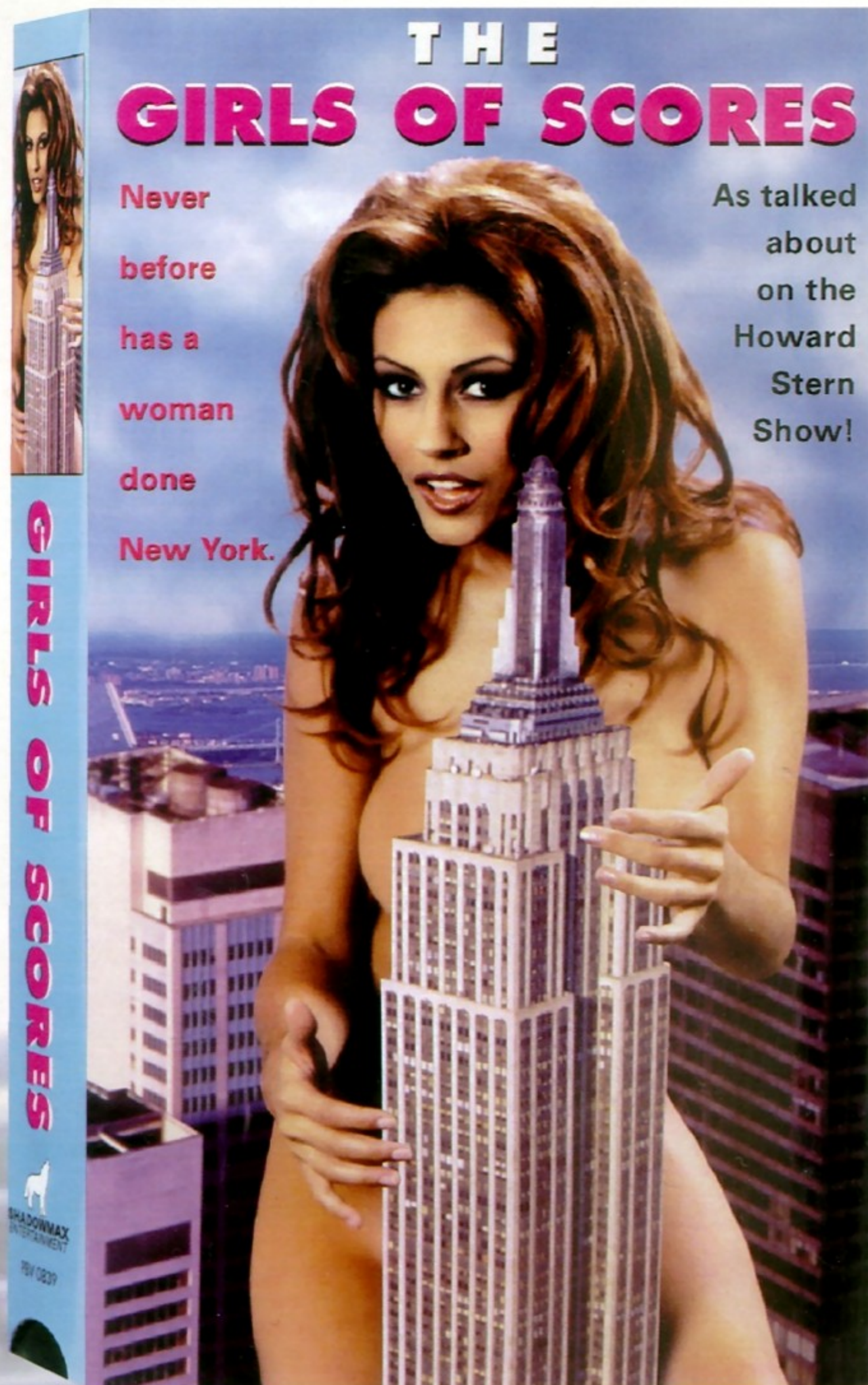
JENNIFER SOTO A sense of humor blends comfortably with her serious, spiritual side—traits handed down in a direct genetic path. “My dad is the last of the world's wise men. He's honest, firm and caring. Mom is a hoot. She was always full of pearls of wisdom like, ‘If you lie with dogs you'll wake up with wet floors.’ I'm a combination of both of them, I guess.” *Gen Nishino, 88, 89.*

MILANKA MCKEE Focused, intellectual, goal-oriented, industrious, energetic....Well, let's let Milanka describe herself in her own words: “A hot, sexy, charming, unforgettable babe!” Exactly. Vital stats: 5'6", 110 lbs., 36-24-35. *David Brandt, 90, 91.*



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LETTERS OF THE MONTH

This year's BOL models are spectacular! I had to make a heart-wrenching decision to choose just one of these magnificent ladies. The top-20 issue alone is worth the subscription price. This year I decided I want to see beautiful Elisa Bridges crowned the Model of the Year. Every picture of her has a distinct personality, charm, innocence and pure sex appeal that make her so very special. This year she's the woman of my dreams. Please let her know that she's my BOL lady of the year, no matter what! ...C.R.B.

This time the NSS team has really done it! (Yes, I'm complaining!) You list most of my favorite BOL models in this latest top-20 edition, so how am I going to vote for a single supermodel without feeling bad about the ignored alternatives? ...D.L.

We're glad to see that our favorite model, Lisa Boyle, has made it into the supermodel competition. She's not only beautiful but is a really nice person. We're a group of Lisa maniacs and already have a Web site for her called the LBIWFC (Lisa Boyle Inner Web Fan Club). This year we're pulling out all the stops to help her win Model of the Year honors. We've set up the Lisa Boyle campaign headquarters Web site—<http://home.adelphia.net/~eve/>—so don't be surprised if the club members push hard to help her get the top spot. She's even more beautiful now than before, so please continue to use Lisa often. I'd say every month would be the correct number of times. ...A.L.

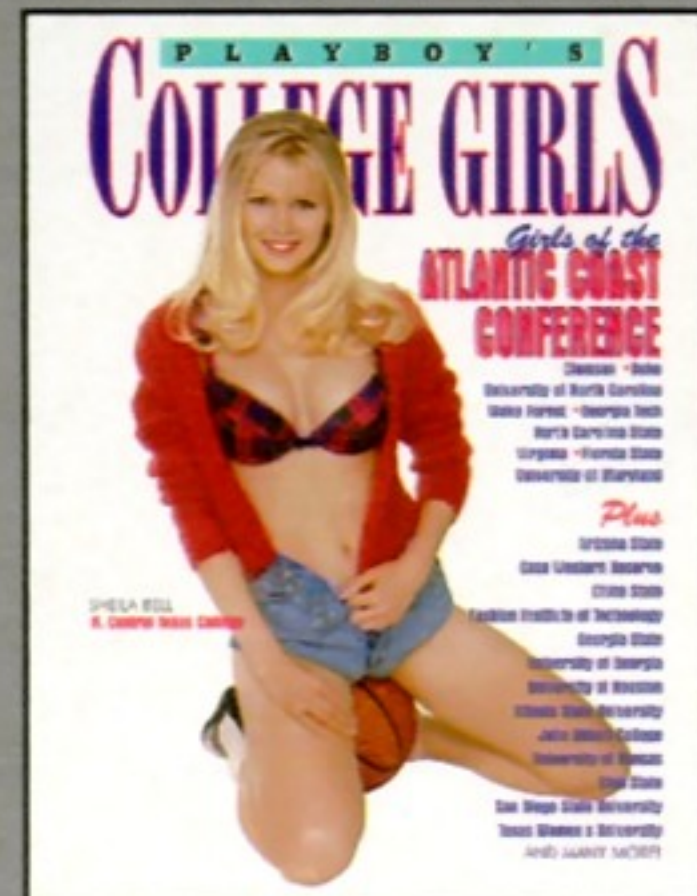
First off I want to say your BOLs are getting increasingly better. I didn't believe that was possible, but here you are making my jaw drop and mouth salivate at every turn of the page! Words cannot express Christi Taylor's pure and natural beauty (well wow, awesome, pant-pant do come to mind). Why isn't she a Playmate? If there is such a thing as a suggestion cybox, then here's my vote for Playmate of the Year! ...J.E.

READERS' CHOICE TOP 20 FINALISTS

Please help us select 1999's BOL Model of the Year. The top 20 vote-getters are listed below and featured in the January/February BOL. Vote by letter or postcard to Playboy Newsstand Specials, BOL Model of the Year, 680 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60611, or via the Internet at www.playboy.com—then follow the directions in the Newsstand Specials section. Only one vote per person, please. Results will be announced in the July/August Book of Lingerie.

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